

- Today we heard about our Creator's vision for community.
- We are challenged to invest in creation that reflects the value of God's hope and dreams for this community and our Connection through the United Methodist Church.
- God calls us to be all in and entrusts us with abundance to create a new heaven and new earth where there is economic security, peace among those who were once enemies, and long full remarkable life.

Be glad and rejoice forever
in what I'm creating,
because I'm creating
Jerusalem as a joy
and her people as a source
of gladness. – Isaiah 18 CEB

- Imagine what we can do when we transcend our own immediate needs and join together for a common good.
- Envision what this community can be with the limitless possibility of God's desire and our joint investment in that dream.
- Prayerfully and intentionally consider the amount you give and pay attention to how God shows up in the process.
- Our gifts today transform not only hearts and minds in this community but the lives of every one of God's beloved children.

